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1. The highway appears to be in the best condition since April 1946. The grading and placing of gravel jobs are already complete for the first few miles on the Tientsin end and the section seems to have a comparatively smooth surface, which is holding up well. Work is progressing slowly; however, several steam rollers were seen to be working. Approximately 1,000 to 2,000 feet of gravel were laid and rolled on the date of observation. The section of the road entering Tangku continues to be the worst stretch.
2. The new bridges on the highway are still being worked upon, but not one has been completed. It appears that the highway commission changed its plan, previously reported, to make the bridges wooden, for in addition to wooden piling already sunk, round prefabricated concrete piling the size of a small oil drum is being placed and concrete slabs laid across these before the wooden decking or road surface is laid. While work was observed to be actually in progress on almost all of the bridges, it is proceeding very slowly.

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